

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed July 21, 2006, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration. To further the prosecution of this Application, the Applicants submit the following remarks to address the incorrect status identifier of "(Previously Presented)" submitted in claim 26 of the Amendment filed on July 5, 2006.

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment states that the Amendment filed on July 10 2006 was non-compliant because:

(4B) The listing of claims does not include the text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims)

(4E) Claim 26 has the incorrect status identifier

The Applicants' Representative spoke with Legal Instruments Examiner Nicole Lawrence regarding item 4B of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and was told it was checked by accident and to disregard this item.

As indicated in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, the correction required is only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. The Applicants, therefore, are resubmitting Claim 26 showing the correct status identifier as (Currently Amended) to indicated changes to the previously presented amendment.

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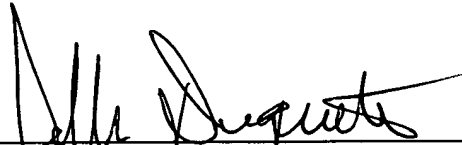
Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks, this Application should be in condition for allowance. A Notice to this affect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, after this Response, that the Application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the Applicants' Representative at the number below.

The Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which is required to maintain the pendency of this case. If there is a fee occasioned by this Response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-3661.

If the enclosed papers or fees are considered incomplete, the Patent Office is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (508) 616-2900, in Westborough, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,



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